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TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)
SUBJ: KISSINGER PRESS CONFERENCE BEFORE DEPARTURE
DEAUVILLE, AUGUST 11, 1976

DR. KISSINGER: I WANT TO TAKE THIS OCCASION TO THANK THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT AND THE PREFECT OF THIS AREA FOR MAKING MY STAY SO VERY PLEASANT. IN FRANCE I AM ALWAYS AMONG FRIENDS. IT IS A COUNTRY I LOVE VERY MUCH.
QUESTION. YOU SUGGESTED YESTERDAY A TRIPARTITE CONFERENCE. WHERE WOULD THIS CONFERENCE TAKE PLACE?
ANSWER: THERE'LL BE NO TRIPARTITE CONFERENCE...I AM NOT SPEAKING OF IT. WHAT I AM SAYING IS FRANCE IS A CLOSE FRIEND, PAKISTAN IS A GOOD FRIEND. WE HAVE A PROBLEM IN WHICH EVERYONE IS INTERESTED, HOW TO STOP THE PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. THREE FRIENDS CAN FIND A WAY TO TALK ABOUT THIS IN A CIVILIZED MANNER THAT IS FOR THE BENEFIT OF MANKIND AND FOR THEIR OWN BENEFIT.
QUESTION. YES, BUT WHEN CAN WE EXPECT THE NEXT CONFERENCE?
ANSWER. I DON'T KNOW BUT WHEN EVERYBODY IS BACK IN THEIR...
QUESTION. DON'T YOU TRUST ANYBODY?
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ANSWER. I TRUST EVERYBODY AND I JUST HAVE TO MAKE

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SURE...
QUESTION, YES, BUT WHEN SHALL WE HAVE THE NEXT CONFERENCE?
ANSWER. WE WILL DISCUSS IT IN A QUIET MANNER OVER THE MONTHS AHEAD. THERE IS NO IMMEDIATE PRESSURE.
QUESTION. DID YOU SPEND A GOOD TRIP?
ANSWER. I HAD A VERY GOOD TIME HERE. AND IT IS A BEAUTIFUL AND PEACEFUL COUNTRYSIDE.
Q. DO YOU LIKE FRANCE?
A. VERY MUCH.
Q. IS THERE ANY CHANGE IN THE SITUATION BETWEEN FRANCE, PAKISTAN AND THE UNITED STATES?
A. WE REALLY HAVE EXCELLENT RELATIONS WITH PAKISTAN AND FRANCE, AND THEY WILL BE MAINTAINED.
Q. THERE WAS A LITTLE PROBLEM THREE DAYS AGO.
A. THERE WAS WHAT?
Q. A LITTLE PROBLEM, I SUPPOSE, NO?
A. WHAT WOULD YOU PEOPLE WRITE IF THERE WERENT SOME LITTLE PROBLEM EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE? THE QUESTION IS WHETHER IT WILL BE SOLVED, AND IT WILL BE SOLVED. BUT MY MAJOR POINT IS TO THANK YOU ALL, TO THANK THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE FOR MAKING MY STAY SO PLEASANT.
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